

Congress of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City, Philippines

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House Bill No. 1700



Introduced by: **HONORABLE CLAUDE P. BAUTISTA**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The existing road serving motorists going from Digos to General Santos City in the Province of Davao del Sur, called the Baluyan area, has time and again been subjected to landslides that make travel in that stretch dangerous and difficult. In the past years, the constituencies in the province have appealed to legislators and from the authorities in the Department of Public Works and Highways to provide an alternate route that will make their trip from points of origin and destination safe and convenient. The sporadic landslide have left many a passengers stranded for number of hours and several days on end, causing much anxiety and distress for themselves and their families who are on the other side. For those who are doing business in the area, it meant loss of precious man-hours, spoilage of their produce and therefore, non-profit in their undertaking.

This bill seeks for the conversion of the Padada-Kiblawan-Tagaytay-Malungon roads in the provinces of Davao del Sur and Sarangani into a national road. Such conversion will allow for shorter and hazard-free travel. Furthermore, it will help encourage the growth of commerce in the affected provinces as the local populace takes advantage of better and safer roads. Immediate approval of this bill will convey to our people in Mindanao the sincerity of the national government in hastening the implementation of its pro-poor programs in the region.

For the abovementioned reasons, approval of this bill is earnestly solicited.


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MALUNGON ROAD IN THE MUNICIPALITIES OF PADADA, KIBLAWAN
AND MALUNGON, PROVINCES OF DAVAO DEL SUR AND SARANGANI
INTO A NATIONAL ROAD AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR,**

*Be it enacted by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Philippines in
Congress assembled:*

SECTION 1. The existing Padada – Kiblawan – Tagaytay – Malungon road in
the Municipalities of Padada, Kiblawan and Malungon, Provinces of Davao del Sur and
Sarangani are hereby converted into a National Road.

SECTION 2. The amount necessary to cover for the opening, improvement,
construction, cementing and maintenance of said national road shall be included in the
General Appropriations Act of the year following its enactment into law and thereafter.

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved.